



## KAILUA NEIGHBORHOOD BOARD NO. 31

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### REGULAR MEETING MINUTES THURSDAY, APRIL 7, 2016 KAILUA RECREATION CENTER

**CALL TO ORDER:** Chair Chuck Prentiss called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m. with a **quorum of 14 members present**. Note: This 19-member Board requires 10 members to establish quorum and to take official Board action.

**Board Members Present:** Larry Bartley, Matthew Darnell, Susan Dowsett, Michael Espenan, Judy Fujimoto, William Hicks, Malina Kaulukukui, Levani Lipton (arrived at 7:12 p.m.), Scot Matayoshi, Paul Mossman, Chuck Prentiss, Zachary Smith, Claudine Tomasa, Gary Weller, and Donna Wong.

**Board Members Absent:** Douglas Dudevoir, Vernon Hinsvark, Teresa Parsons, and Jeffrey Zuckernick.

**Guests:** Captain Mark Cabral (Honolulu Fire Department); Lieutenant Michael Kuroda (Honolulu Police Department); Andrew Pereira (Mayor Kirk Caldwell's Representative); Derek Kimura (Governor David Ige's Representative); Janine Tully (Representative Ken Ito's Office); Amy Bevan (Marine Corps Base Hawaii); Jennifer Barra (Senator Laura Thielen's Office); Ed Kemper (Epilepsy Foundation/Friends of Kailua High School); Jennifer Lobendahn (Over Easy); Representative Chris Lee; Corey Shaffer and Kathy O'Connor-Phelps (Verizon Wireless); Paige McMullin (Blue Zones Project); Kathy Sokugawa and Ray Young (Department of Planning and Permitting); Dolores Minton; Laurel Leslie; Keola Akana; Kelly Tomioka; Bruce and Bev Nayel; Bob Bourke; Shannon Oshiro; Sharon Tolentino; Maria Gompers; Jimmy Crockett; Keola Akana; Stann Reiziss; and Amanda Ehe (Neighborhood Commission Office).

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **Joe Gillman:** Chair Prentiss shared that a resident and long-time supporter of the Kailua Neighborhood Board, Joe Gillman, has passed away and asked those present to join in a moment of silence for Gillman.
- **Illegal Vacation Rentals:** There is an illegal vacation rental reporting website that will anonymously submit illegal vacation rental reporting to the Department of Planning and Permitting (DPP). Chair Prentiss shared that Member Hinsvark assisted with the set up the website which can be found at: [www.helpthedpp.wix.com/form](http://www.helpthedpp.wix.com/form).
- **Department of Transportation Services (DTS):** There will be a DTS meeting held on Wednesday, April 20, 2016 at 6:30 p.m. to discuss the roundabout proposal.
- **Marsy's Law:** Member Kaulukukui shared that Senate Bill (SB) 3034, also known as Marsy's Law, passed out of Finance committee today, Thursday, April 7, 2016, with amendments. Marsy's Law provides constitutional rights for victims. Chair Prentiss stated that the Board supports Marsy's Law.

### PUBLIC AGENCIES

**Honolulu Police Department (HPD) –** Lieutenant Kuroda reported the following:

- **March 2016 Crime Statistics:** There were 10 motor vehicle thefts, 8 burglaries, 44 thefts, and 29 unauthorized entries into motor vehicles (UEMV).
- **Crime Safety Tip:** Distracted driving is a serious problem, especially texting while driving. HPD started a campaign that is using federal funds to put more officers on the road to cite for distracted driving.

Questions, comments, and concerns followed:

1. **Road Rage:** Member Matayoshi asked and Lieutenant Kuroda answered that it is not necessarily required for an address to be provided when filing a police report, and Lieutenant Kuroda will relay the message to HPD that some officers are not allowing police reports to be filed without an address.
2. **Tour Buses:** Member Bartley shared a picture of tour buses stopped on Pali Highway and asked how to address the issue. Lieutenant Kuroda recommended calling HPD with the complaint to be addressed. Prentiss added that this issue should be a priority.

**At 7:12 p.m. member Levani Lipton arrived; 15 members were present.**

3. **Crime Statistics:** Member Weller asked and Lieutenant Kuroda replied that reporting arrests in the crime statistics portion may not be effective because arrests often come much later than the crime.

4. Commercial Vehicles: Bartley commented that commercial vehicles are regularly blocking traffic, intersections, and crosswalks while delivering to businesses creating a serious safety hazard.

Honolulu Fire Department (HFD) – Captain Cabral reported the following:

- February 2016 Statistics: There were 2 structure fires, 1 cooking fire, 15 activated alarms with no fire, 114 medical emergencies, 4 motor vehicle collisions, 3 mountain rescues, 1 ocean rescue, and 1 hazardous materials (HAZMAT) incident.
- Fire Safety Tip: Cooking fires are the number one cause of home fires and injuries, please stay in the kitchen while cooking.

Questions, comments, and concerns followed: Thanks: Member Fujimoto thanked HFD for their service noting that she had need for HFD's services twice in the recent week.

Marine Corps Base Hawaii (MCBH) – Amy Bevan reported the following:

- Rim of the Pacific Exercise (RIMPAC): There will be an increase in military starting June 2016 until the beginning of August 2016 for RIMPAC.
- Races: Bevan distributed a handout with a list of MCBH races for the remainder of 2016.

Mayor Kirk Caldwell's Representative – Andrew Pereira submitted a written report for the record and reported the following:

- Title VI Program: The 2016 Title VI Program report public hearing will be held on Friday, April 8, 2016 at Mission Memorial meeting room at 9:30 a.m. The Title VI Program applies to the bus and the handi-van.
- Kailua Beach Park: The concession comfort station bid opening date is anticipated to be at the end of April 2016.
- Department of Planning and Permitting (DPP): There are no plans to reduce funding for the civil service positions for the enforcement program within DPP.
- Maunawili Falls: There has been no decision made by the Director regarding the Maunawili Falls trail hearing.
- Kawainui Stream Channel: A Request for Bid (RFB) for service to eradicate mangrove and invasive vegetation in the Hamakua Marsh, Kawainui Stream and Kealepulu Stream was posted on the Department of Budget and Fiscal Services' (BFS) Division of Purchasing website on March 18, 2016. A pre-bid meeting in the field was conducted on March 23, 2016 in coordination with the Department of Facility Maintenance (DFM) and the State Department of Land and Natural Resources (DLNR) Division of Forestry and Wildlife. A contract is anticipated to be awarded by June 30, 2016.
- Kaelepulu Stream: DFM has a tentative meeting scheduled with Bob Bourke in regards to his concern of runoff into Enchanted Lake. The City's Storm Water Quality Branch watershed study of Kaelepulu Pond is ongoing. The City's consultant is in the process of finalizing and reviewing the water quality data collected over the past year and a half and has been incorporating the data into its watershed analysis. Results are anticipated to be forthcoming later in the year. The City's jurisdiction is limited to its associated storm drains and channels.

Questions, comments and concerns:

1. Kailua Beach Park: Member Bartley and Wong asked about the construction and design of the comfort station at Kailua Beach Park. Member Hicks asked if the concession area will be renovated as well.
2. Property Line: Wong requested street dimensions and street right away starting from Kailua town and displaying property lines along Kailua Road.
3. Lists: Darnell requested the list of short term rental permits in Kailua and the list of waivers granted for boulders/blockades on unimproved sidewalks in Lanikai.
4. Kaelepulu Stream: Lipton asked when the results and follow up meeting for Kaelepulu Stream will be commenting that there was a meeting in October 2015 and no one has heard of anything since. Resident Stan Reiziss elaborated that the purpose of the October 2015 meeting was to mitigate run off into enchanted lake and the community was promised a full report no later than February 2016 and did not receive report.
5. Vacation Rentals: Fujimoto commented that not all rentals are available to local Hawaii web addresses. Pereira stated he is aware of the issue and commented that legislation could be introduced to address the issue.
6. Meeting: Reiziss commented in response to learning of Bourkes tentative meeting with DFM that Bourke has a special interest and the meeting should be public.

Governor David Ige's Representative – Derek Kimura circulated the Capitol Connection newsletter and reported the following:

- Ride Share: Senate Bill (SB) 1280 would have regulated ride share programs, but the bill did not pass.
- Unfunded Liability: Governor Ige plans to pay annual required contribution at 100% starting in 2017.
- Department of Transportation (DOT): DOT is preparing a letter in response to the Board's letter sent to Director Fuchigami regarding crosswalk lights.
- Warning Lights: Flashing warning lights near Maunawili school will be repaired Friday, July 1, 2016.

Questions, comments, and concerns followed: Warning Lights: Wong asked why there are no longer crosswalk flashing warning lights on the median fronting Hawaii Pacific University (HPU).

#### RESIDENT AND COMMUNITY CONCERNS

1. Parking: A resident and former Board member Kelly Tomioka expressed frustration with the parking closures in Lanikai and near Maunawili Trail, and stated more parking should be allowed for the Olomano Trail.
2. Helicopters: Tomioka commented on the increased helicopter use over the Kailua area which appear to be tour helicopters.
3. Crosswalk: Tomioka stated the need for better crosswalk features for the blind that need to cross Pali Highway. Hicks agreed and will follow up knowing that a blind student in need is living in the area again.
4. Runs: Ed Kemper informed the community of two (2) upcoming runs – Freedom Run on Monday, July 4, 2016, at 7:00 a.m. for the Epilepsy Foundation and the Friends of Kailua High School Run will be held on Sunday, November 6, 2016.
5. Kapaa Quarry: Reiziss requested the Board invite representatives from Kapaa Quarry to a Board meeting to ask how much of the Koolau Mountains they plan to destroy.
6. Blue Zones: Intern Paige McMullin shared upcoming Blue Zones events with the community noting that Blue Zones is a wellbeing initiative and Koolau Poko is the only community on Oahu close to becoming Blue Zones approved.
7. Behavior: Resident Dolores Minton stated a friend of hers was verbally attacked by two (2) women on a beach in the area and accused her of being an illegal bed and breakfast renter; Minton encouraged the community to use better behavior.

#### ELECTED OFFICIALS

Representative Cynthia Thielen – A written report was available. No representative was present.

Representative Chris Lee – Representative Lee reported the following:

- Campaigning: It is an election year so there will be advertising and this is the first election that will require top donors names to be posted in advertisements in Hawaii.
- Keolu Elementary School: Representative Lee thanked the community for coming out to the recent meeting at Keolu Elementary School.
- Homeless: Representative Lee discussed a bill that would offer daily work opportunities for homeless and hopefully integrate them with service providers.
- Resolution: There is a resolution in that passed the House and is moving to the Senate that pushes the Department of Land and Natural Resources (DLNR) to establish no wake zones and conduct patrols to make Kailua Bay safer.

Questions, comments, and concerns followed:

1. Humidity: Bartley stated that Hawaii's high humidity climate causes kids to catch colds faster from air-conditioning (AC) with the low humidity and there were reports submitted to the Department of Education (DOE) on the study done proving this fact. Bartley suggested the problem is children attending school during the summer when it is the hottest.
2. House Bill (HB): Representative Lee voted no to HB 1815, but the measure is still alive and Representative Lee will monitor.

Councilmember Ikaika Anderson – No report was available. No representative was present.

Senator Laura Thielen – A written report was available. No representative was present.

Representative Ken Ito – Janine Tully distributed a handout and announced the Free Legal Clinic to be held on Saturday, May 7, 2016 from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Questions, comments, and concerns followed:

1. No Parking: Wong asked and Tully answered that Representative Ito will be working on the no parking issue near Maunawili Trail.
2. Free Legal Clinic: Matayoshi encouraged the community to attend the Free Legal Clinic.

Senator Jill Tokuda – No report was available. No representative was present. Weller commented that Senator Tokuda has not been present in six (6) months and wants to know why she was not present. Weller continued by saying that there was a fire at Kalaheo High School that he wanted to discuss with Senator Tokuda.

## PRESENTATIONS

Koolau Poko Sustainable Communities Plan Revision – Raymond Young with DPP distributed a summary of proposed revisions and presented the following:

- Background: The Koolau Poko Sustainable Communities Plan began in 2009 and there have been three (3) community meetings.
- Additions: There have been significant updates to make the plan current by incorporating new legislative mandates, the principles of sustainability, changing of boundaries, and adding an implementation complex section; the summary of changes can be found in the technical report.
- Hawaiian Memorial Park: DPP opposed the expansion of the boundary for Hawaii Memorial Park. If the expansion was through the Department of Land and Natural Resources (DLNR) for conservation, DPP would not oppose.

Questions, comments, and concerns followed:

1. Concerns: Wong circulated land use maps and asked members to look at the urban properties open for development on the map. Young commented that there are restrictions on development. Wong noted her concern because urban falls under City jurisdiction. Wong added that language was changed from “should prevent” to “discourage” and that does not make restrictions stricter. Wong noted the plan reads like a marketing tool and there was commentary that should not have been included.
2. Vacation Rentals: Bartley stated that the majority of residents are opposed to expansion of vacation rentals and it does not make sense to include vacation rentals in the plan.
3. Chapter Three (3): Mossman suggested including installation of sufficient infrastructure and maintenance for hikes and activities in chapter three (3) of the plan.
4. Requests: Upon request, Young will provide a larger map.
5. Action: Weller asked and Young answered that the Board can take action on the revised plan, the Planning Commission will review in June 2016 and have a public hearing.
6. Recommendations: Prentiss stated the Board has been working on this project for two (2) years and the Board has made its final recommendations. Prentiss thanked DPP for incorporating some suggestions and stated the Board will go before the Planning Commission to express the recommendations that were not included.

Emergency Outdoor Siren at Kalama Beach Park – Mel Kaku and George Burnett with the Department of Emergency Management (DEM) displayed a map of an emergency outdoor siren for Kalama Beach Park and stated the need for confirmation from the Board that the siren is necessary.

Questions, comments, and concerns followed:

- Height: Hicks asked and Burnett answered that 35 feet is the standard height of an emergency outdoor siren. Burnett distributed maps of coverage of the sirens in the area.
- Requirement: Kaku stated that the siren has been planned and programmed and approval is needed by the Board to proceed.

**Hicks moved to add the approval of the emergency outdoor siren at Kalama Beach Park to the agenda, Tomasa seconded. The item was added to the agenda 13-1-1, (AYE: Darnell, Espenan, Fujimoto, Hicks, Kaulukukui, Lipton, Matayoshi, Mossman, Prentiss, Smith, Tomasa, Weller, and Wong; NAY: Dowsett; ABSTAIN: Bartley).**

**Darnell moved for the approval of the emergency outdoor siren at Kalama Beach Park, Tomasa seconded.** Discussion followed: Community Input: Smith asked and Burnett answered that the result of canvassing was that there is an understandable concern of noise, but safety of the community takes priority. Tomasa agreed with the safety aspect but would like more time to inform community. Lipton stated she lives in the area and was not canvased. Mossman doesn't mind the siren that is by his house. Matayoshi requested additional information on the results of canvassing. Dowsett agreed the item should be deferred for one (1) more month. Prentiss postponed the vote to the next meeting.

Verizon 60-foot Cell Antenna at Kailua Tennis Club – Kathy O'Connor-Phelps distributed handouts and presented the following:

- Necessity: According to the Federal Communications Commission (FCC), 70 percent (%) of emergency calls originate from a cell phone.
- Coverage Objective: Verizon's Facility is required to address a substantial gap in coverage and capacity in the area. The Facility is needed to offload existing capacity demands from other nearby Verizon wireless facilities, in addition to providing new or enhanced coverage to previously significantly underserved residential areas.
- Scope of Work: The antenna will be 60-foot tower disguised as a broad leaf tree. 12 antennas will be located on the tower. Equipment cabinets will be located behind a six (6)-foot tall block wall to match the racquet club's sign. There will be a generator plug for an emergency generator if the site goes down. The location of the antenna will be near the southeast corner of the property.
- Proposed View: O'Connor-Phelps provided various proposed views of the antenna.

Questions, comments, and concerns followed:

1. Height: Hicks asked and O'Connor-Phelps answered that the telephone poles are roughly 35 feet and the trees nearby are 40 feet.
2. Accuracy: Espenan commented that the proposed views are not accurate depictions and are poorly photo shopped. Espenan asked and O'Connor-Phelps responded that the current tree simulation was the best choice.
3. Existing Building: Wong suggested changing the labeling of "existing building" to "residents" or something more accurate.
4. Community Input: Matayoshi asked and O'Connor-Phelps responded that she is unaware of any community input.
5. Radio Frequencies: Lipton asked and Cory Shaffer with Verizon stated that the radio transmission tower will be transmitting radio frequencies that are regulated by the FCC noting that the energy levels are safe for the general public.
6. Capacity: Tomasa asked and Shaffer answered that the difficulty with putting radio towers outside of town rather than inside is the capacity.
7. Oppose: Resident Maria Gompers stated the project is unappealing and very tall in an area of residents and urged the Board to oppose. Resident Sharon Tolentino stated if the racquet club is being compensated then the residents in the area should be compensated too. A resident was upset that her home was not included in the depiction of the area and that the tree that shades her house will be cut down for the antenna.
8. Noise Concerns: Tolentino asked and Shaffer responded that it would be an emergency generator only. A resident expressed concern that cell sites put out low vibration hums.
9. Location: Kaulukukui asked and O'Connor-Phelps answered that other sites were considered for this project.

**Chair Prentiss referred the 60-foot cell antenna issue to the Planning and Zoning Committee.**

#### BOARD MOTIONS

**Motion 1: The Kailua Neighborhood Board No. 31 requests the State Department of Land and Natural Resources to establish a no-wake zone for motorized vessels inside the reef of Kailua Bay, Oahu.**

Chair Prentiss passed the gavel to Vice Chair Darnell as he spoke in support of the motion, citing a motorboat that has taken a life and nearly another. The motion had been made, seconded, and discussed at the March 2016 Board meeting.

**The motion was ADOPTED by UNANIMOUS CONSENT, 15-0-0, (AYE: Bartley, Darnell, Dowsett, Espenan, Fujimoto, Hicks, Kaulukukui, Lipton, Matayoshi, Mossman, Prentiss, Smith, Tomasa, Weller, and Wong; NAY: None; ABSTAIN: None).**

**Motion 2: The Kailua Neighborhood Board No. 31 supports expending \$100 for the booth entry fee for the Kailua Town Party on Sunday, April 24, 2016.**

Prentiss noted the Outdoor Circle is requiring the \$100 fee.

**Prentiss moved and Wong seconded the motion. The motion was ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY, 15-0-0, (AYE: Bartley, Darnell, Dowsett, Espenan, Fujimoto, Hicks, Kaulukukui, Lipton, Matayoshi, Mossman, Prentiss, Smith, Tomasa, Weller, and Wong; NAY: None; ABSTAIN: None).**

Prentiss noted that volunteers will be needed to organize and work the booth.

Hearing no objections, Prentiss took motion 4 out of order by request of Tomasa.

**Motion 4: The Kailua Neighborhood Board No. 31 requests the State Department of Transportation to better define with striping and/or plastic poles or other means what is and is not a right turn lane from Mokapu Boulevard onto Oneawa Street to reduce the problem of collisions with parked vehicles.**

The motion was from the Public Safety Committee. A resident stated that the restriping that was done had good intentions but is very unclear and there are one (1) to two (2) accidents a week. Resident Zachary Wallace was hit while parking and would like the area to be safer. Another resident, Sue, urged for the road to be fixed to be like the rest of Mokapu Boulevard.

**The motion was ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY, 15-0-0, (AYE: Bartley, Darnell, Dowsett, Espenan, Fujimoto, Hicks, Kaulukukui, Lipton, Matayoshi, Mossman, Prentiss, Smith, Tomasa, Weller, and Wong; NAY: None; ABSTAIN: None).**

Prentiss reassured residents that the Board will send a letter to DOT expressing the concern of motion 4.

**The neighborhood assistant departed at 10:05 p.m. The remaining minutes were recorded and submitted by the Board.**

An amendment was offered by Chair Prentiss to motion 3 – The Kailua Neighborhood Board No. 31 endorses the Department of Transportation Services proposal to add dedicated bicycle lanes to Hamakua Drive if the project includes replacing the approximately 20 lost parking spaces with parking on Hamakua Drive between Aolua Street and Keolu Drive with permitted parking from 7:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.

The amendment failed, the vote was 8 yes, 5 no, and 2 abstentions.

Mr. Paul Mossman: Noted there is too much vehicular congestion at the north end of Hamakua Drive by Kailua Road and that too few bicycles are being used there. Although there is not an issue with a bicycle lane from Safeway to Keolu Drive, he will vote against the motion because of the problem near Kailua Road.

Mr. Gary Weller: Noted that parking lots need to be larger to accommodate employees. The lack of parking for employees pushes employee parking into the neighborhood.

Ms. Kelly Akasaki (DTS): Noted that employee parking is available on the top floors of the parking structure by Long's for employees willing to pay for it.

Mr. Chris Lee (Representative House District 51): Recalled being hit by a car while riding a bicycle as a kid. He noted we need to do something, but nothing has been done. This motion is one piece of a puzzle that needs to be addressed.

Mr. Chuck Prentiss: Remarked that he tried to make this motion better by offering the amendment to ensure that displaced on-street parking used by employees would be replaced one-for-one, as there isn't enough employee parking. He asked how much it costs to park in the parking structure by Long's.

Ms. Donna Wong: Cited others had offered schools as being a reason for this, but noted there are no schools on Hamakua Drive.

Mr. Zachary Smith: Remarked that he heard from his wife that \$15 per month is the parking fee for employees and suggested that employers could pay for it.

Mr. Bill Hicks: Noted that valid concerns have been raised over the congestion by Kailua Road, the back-up of traffic noted in the DTS study, the net loss of parking, the need for a left turn lane onto Akoakoa Street, and a left turn arrow from Keolu Drive. Offered that the DTS study found the volume of traffic able to be handled on Hamakua Drive was acceptable, and that the other issues are comparatively minor and promised to be looked at by

DTS. This proposal was approximately number 10 on the tier 1 list in Oahu's Master Bicycle Plan and the time has come for it to be done; if we fail to act now, it will likely be skipped over for many years to come as DTS would move on to the next priorities.

Ms. Claudine Tomasa: Reiterated that concern for bicycle safety is the main reason to support the motion.

The motion was ADOPTED 10-5-0 (AYE: Bartley, Darnell, Dowsett, Espenan, Hicks, Kaulukukui, Lipton, Matayoshi, Smith, and Tomasa; NAY: Fujimoto, Mossman, Prentiss, Weller, and Wong; ABSTAIN: None).

Vice Chair Darnell passed the gavel to Chair Prentiss at 10:13 p.m.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: The regular meeting minutes of March 3, 2016, were APPROVED as corrected by unanimous consent. Corrections: Hinsvark asked about enforcement Bill 22 which is held in committee. Council member Anderson stated there is no support for Bill 22 from the other council members and stated his constituents want a holistic approach to illegal vacation rentals. Hinsvark disagreed.

COMMITTEE REPORTS: Reports are as published. Discussion was passed up by unanimous consent.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting adjourned at 10:15 p.m.

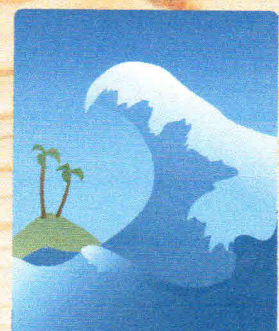
Submitted by: Amanda Ehe, Neighborhood Assistant

Reviewed by: Neil Baarde, Neighborhood Assistant II

Reviewed and finalized by: Chuck Prentiss, Chair; Matt Darnell, Vice Chair



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